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North High Hoop Crew Takes 50-24 Defeat From Millikan

North High's varsity casaba quintet dropped its first game before the home fans Tuesday night as the Millikan Rams ran roughshod over the locals before taking a final 50-24 victory.

Saxon play in the loss was hampered by the absence of four regulars. Don Prather, high scoring guard, was on a trip with his family; Bill Gipson, one of the three plus six-footers on Coach Bill Wood's squad, was sick; Ron Petrelli, second of the three big Saxons, was ineligible to play, and Bud Ritter, smooth operating guard, was sidelined early in the contest with a twisted ankle.

North High fell behind early in the game as the Rams moved to a 12-4 first quarter advantage. The Saxons were unable to provide any kind of spark in the second and third periods as they were able to hit for a total of 4 points while the invaders were running up a 42-8 count.

In the final period, playing against Millikan subs, the local five plunked in 16 points to bring their game total within respectable limits.

Saxon subs Dave Campbell and Dave Scott handled most of the North High scoring chores, each hitting for 5 points.

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Ruffell Leads In Slow Break Win Alondra Event On Tap Saturday

Torrance High's fast break was slowed to a walk Tuesday evening by Culver City at the local gym, but the Tartars beat the invaders at their own game and took a handy win by a 35-29 margin.

Culver City took a quick lead in the first quarter when the Tartars' break was halted by the ball control play of the opposing five.

Accurate shooting by Rich Ruffell pulled the locals in front by a 10-8 count at the end of the quarter and the Tartar five was never headed as they chalked up their seventh victory of the season.

Torrance held a 2-point edge at halftime, increased this to 4 points at the end of the third quarter, 26-22, and held the Culver Cityans in check in the final period.

Ruffell and Jerry Mathews led the locals in the tally totals, Ruffell with 12 points, while Mathews bucketed 9.

varsity brothers, though the margin was closer. Millikan's jayvees took a 46-34 decision in the opening game.

Jayvee star Terry Winstrom hooped 14 points to take game high for the North High five, and on the basis of continued improvement in recent games, Coach Wood has moved him up to the varsity.

All Tartars suited saw action with the rest of the scoring well scattered. Toby Venable and Russ Vanderpool each hit for 4 points, while Mick Babbitt, Gene Crenshaw and Bob Knapp each dumped in a pair of digits.

Ray Vanderpool, Dale Mead and Mike Bertolet all were effective in the successful effort before the home crowd.

In the evening's opener the Tartar jayvees tromped the Culver City juniors by a 43-26 count. Paul O'Kain led the locals with 14 points, while Lee Day plunked in 11 tallies.

No further action is scheduled for the Tartar five until after Christmas. First drill following the holiday, according to Coach Fanny Markham, will be held on Dec. 27 as the Torrance club starts practice for the Beverly Hills Tournament on Jan. 2.

First round pairings for the Alondra Park Pee Wee Invitational Basketball Tournament Dec. 22 were recently released by tourney officials.

First match on opening day will be between Alondra and Normandale, 9 a.m.; Ladera and Manhattan Beach at 10 a.m.; Scott plays El Segundo Boys' Club at 11 a.m.; Artesia battles Inglewood at 12 noon; Lawndale plays El Nido or Paramount at 1 p.m.; Sportsman meets Grant at 2 p.m.; Lomita vs. Gardena at 3 p.m., and Lennox challenges North Redondo Boys' Club at 4 p.m.

Winners in the single elimination tourney will advance to the quarter finals on Dec. 28. The semi-finals and finals will be held on Dec. 29. All games will be played in the Alondra Park Community Building.

Hoop Loops Set to Open

Two basketball leagues, one at North High and one at Torrance High, are being organized by the Torrance Recreation Dept. The leagues are open to boys attending these schools, and who are not members of any of the schools' regular teams.

The North High League will

be held Tuesday evenings in the North High boys' gym under the direction of Coach Cliff Graybehl. Play in this league is slated to get under way Jan. 8.

Coach Fanny Markham will be in charge at Torrance High, with play scheduled for Wednesday nights in the boys' gym starting Jan. 9.

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Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL



Nimrods still awaiting winter rains, hopeful it will improve the waterfowl situation before the close of the season in January. Considering the weather has been for the birds, sparrows, that is, scattergunners aren't doin' too bad. Those venturing getting their share, which at the present is two or three. Not like knocking down a limit in a couple of hours or less.

Walt Gilliard and Mott Houdashalt are all hepped up about the Salton Sea. Bagged a couple of ducks and a honker last week. Walt said he should have had more, but goofed on good shots. Getting an eyeful of unexpected flights kind of shook him up.

Ben Smith, Dean Barkdull and Johnny Rowe bagged seven ducks between them at Bakersfield last Wednesday. Used a few more boxes of shells when they stopped to hunt wild pigeon at Mt. Abel on their way home. From the sound of their story, really ran into a big bunch. Lucky! Most hunters intent on pigeon never see any.

Surf fishing rounding into high gear with good takes up and down the coast. Oxnard, Malibu and our local beach in front of the Hollywood Riviera were the hot spots over

the week end. Surf enthusiasts hitting any beach that looks appealing until the big run hits at 2nd St. in Hermosa around the middle of January. Majority snaked in push three pounds and better, at least that's the way it has been. Perch are unpredictable, so all anglers can do is expect.

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South High to Enter New Loop

South High School, to be opened next September, may be entered in a five-team Crescent League next fall, if preliminary plans are completed, the Torrance Board of Education was told Tuesday night.

Principal Bruce Wagner was authorized to deal with representatives of four other schools which will open for the first time next fall. All five will include only freshman, sophomore, or junior students. South High will have only freshmen and sophomores in its first year.

The other four schools in the proposed league would be Dominguez High, Compton; Warren High, Downey; Lennox High, Centinela Valley, and Aviation High, South Bay.

Under the tentative plans, each school would participate in league competition for one year in varsity and bee football; varsity and bee basketball; varsity and junior varsity cross-country; varsity, bee and cee track, and varsity and junior varsity baseball. Wrestling, tennis, and golf would be optional.

Under the plans discussed, the home team at all football games would have the option of night or afternoon games and there would be single-round contests in cross-country, football, and track and double rounds in basketball and baseball.

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